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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, JA

SUBJECT: ITC IMPORT RELIEF INVESTIGATION: BOLTS, NUTS, AND CREWS  
OF IRON OR STEEL

REF: 5/30 LTR SMITH EA/J TO PRICKETT

FOR: EA/J AND OT/STA

1. MR. Z. ENOMOTO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FASTENERS INSTITUTE OF JAPAN (FIJ) VISITED EMBASSY TO DISCUSS U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) INVESTIGATION OF WHETHER IMPORTED BOLTS, NUTS AND SCREWS (IRON OR STEEL) ARE CAUSING SERIOUS DAMAGE TO U.S. DOMESTIC INDUSTRY. ENOMOTO INDICATED HIS ORGANIZATION AND MEMBER FIRMS WERE COMPLETELY SURPRISED BY TRADE BILL ESCAPE CLAUSE PETITION FILED BY RUSSELL, BURDSALL & WARD, INDUSTRIAL FASTENERS INSTITUTE, AND CAP SCREW AND SPECIAL TREADED PRODUCTS BUREAU. NOTING THAT HE REALIZED THAT PETITION WAS AIMED PRIMARILY AT JAPANESE EXPORTS TO U.S., HE CONTRASTED THIS WITH EXCELLENT RELATIONS THAT HAVE EXISTED IN RECENT YEARS BETWEEN JAPANESE FASTENER INDUSTRY AND AMERICAN COUNTERPART. HE ADDED THAT SINCE FILING OF PETITION, HE HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY SOME (UNNAMED) U.S. FIRMS THAT THEY DO NOT SUPPORT THIS ESCAPE CLAUSE ACTION.

2. ENOMOTO SAID THAT SOME OF JAPANESE FASTENER MANUFACTURERS WERE "FURIOUS" ABOUT ITC PROCEEDINGS AND AS RESULT WERE REFUSING TO PARTICIPATE IN SEPT. TOKYO DESIGN ENGINEERING SHOW BEING  
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ORGANIZED BY U.S. FIRM, CLAPP & POLIAK.

3. ENOMOTO AND OTHER FIJ OFFICIALS PLAN TO ATTEND SCHEDULED  
AUGUST 19 ITC HEARING TO PRESENT JAPANESE INDUSTRY POSITION.  
ENOMOTO ALSO PLANNING TO LEAVE TOKYO JULY 21 ON SHORT PRELIMINARY  
VISIT TO U.S. TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. HE INDICATED THAT  
DURING THIS TRIP HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS PROCEDURAL MATTERS  
RELATING TO THIS CASE WITH SOMEONE IN USG AND EMBASSY HAS  
PROVIDED HIM WITH NAMES OF CLARK/OT/STA AND SMITH/EA/J.  
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